

SECTION 9. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - TRUCK SIZE AND WEIGHT HARMONIZATION. The operating expenses line item in section 1 of this Act, includes the sum of \$60,000 from the general fund, for the department of transportation to collaborate with the upper great plains transportation institute to study the impacts in this state of harmonizing truck size and weight regulations with states in the western states transportation alliance regarding standard commercial truck envelope limits of 129,000 pounds gross vehicle combination weight or 100 foot cargo carrying length and potential implications, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.

SECTION 10. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - TRUCK SIZE AND WEIGHT HARMONIZATION. During the 2015-16 interim, the legislative management shall study the truck size and weight provisions under chapter 39-12 relating to size, width, and height restrictions, in order to ensure the state of North Dakota may harmonize its truck size and weight regulations with the regulations of the states in the western states transportation alliance, and shall utilize the findings of the collaborative study of the department of transportation and the upper great plains transportation institute to determine appropriate changes to state law. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-fifth legislative assembly.